Trip Out of Farmville, 1929

The following is an interesting article that appeared in the Greeville *Daily Reflector*, Aug. 30, 1929, which talks about the people and houses along Grimmersburg Road from Farmville to Lang's Crossroads, Pitt County. Contributed by Roger Kammerer.

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Coming from Farmville on route 91-the first farm belongs to R. L. DAVIS and is known as the Jacob JOYNER farm. On this farm right where you see the old <u>read</u> (sic) oaks, O. L. JOYNER, of Greenville and D. C. JOYNER, of Farmville, were born and brought up.

On the same farm, on the left or south side of the road, is a filling station owned by R. L. DAVIS and run by a bachelor, TRIPP, who now closes at sunset as he is the man that was attacked by the negro who was this week sent to the roads for four years. South of the filling station in a large natural grove live J. W. MOYE and family. The next house, on the left lives Dexter JONES and wife and grandchild. The house on the right belongs to Charley JOYNER who has ever lived on this land. It is known as the Tommy JOYNER farm and has been in his family for a century. The next place where you see such nice yellow cannas on each side of the drive way, is R. L. SMITH's - Jesse SMITH place.

The next farm on the right is Alfred MOORE's home and this has been occupied the the MOORE's continuously for over a century. The next house of importance is on the left and is owned by Hepburn BURNETT. BURNETT is a recent settler in this neighborhood. He owns the old Earl WILLIAMS house. WILLIAMS was for several years the banker, of Farmville, as William WHITEHEAD was for the country.

B. S. SMITH owns, but does not live upon, the next farm on the left, a hundred years ago his grandfather, William JOYNER, lived on it and his wife had the first kitchen and dining room connected to the main dwelling in the vicinity.

On the right and opposite B. S. SMITH's farm, lives Johnnie JOYNER, and wife, an Alabamian, Bertha JOYNER, widow of R. L. JOYNER, and a very attractive marriageable daughter. This farm is also an heirloom.

When we come to M. L. MOYE's Bill FLANAGAN place. MOYE is the manor born, but he brought this place of Sheriff FLANAGAN's heirs.

Just around the bend of the road lives A. J. MOYE, the oldest person on the road. Next is the DUPREE place, and then comes the Robert TURNAGE farm, owned now by his children and grandchildren. TURNAGE had four daughters, splendid girls, and no buggy.

L. A. FULFORD is a recent acquisition to the neighborhood, who owns and lives upon the Matthew CARR farm. Aaron TURNAGE, Jr., lives where the old MOYE school house, which all the children of the neighborhood received their education. At least most of them never attended any school of higher education until Prayther HINES